

## **OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF FAMILY AND SOCIAL SERVICES**

### **Notice of Changes in Methods and Standards for Medicaid Payments for Home Health Agencies**

In accordance with public notice requirements of 42 CFR 447.205, the Indiana Family and Social Services Administration (FSSA) Office of Medicaid Policy and Planning (OMPP) publishes this notice of proposed changes to the reimbursement methodology for Medicaid services provided by enrolled home health agencies.

The FSSA-OMPP proposes to hold the rates for home health services that were effective for the annual period beginning July 1, 2015 unchanged through June 30, 2017. This change is necessary to ensure continuity of member access to home health services.

It is estimated that the Medicaid payment increase of these changes will be approximately \$3.9 million for FFY 2016 (federal share of \$2.6 million and state share of \$1.3 million) and \$11.7 million for FFY 2017 (federal share of \$7.8 million and state share of \$3.9 million).

A copy of this notice is now on file at the Indiana Government Center South, 402 West Washington Street, Room W451, Indianapolis, Indiana and is open for public inspection. Also, a copy of this notice is now available and may be inspected by contacting the local county office of the Division of Family Resources, except in Marion County, where public inspection may be made at the Indiana Government Center South, 402 West Washington Street, Room W374, Indianapolis, Indiana.

There will be no public hearing. Written comments may be directed to FSSA, Office of Medicaid Policy and Planning, Attention: Chris Fletcher, 402 West Washington Street, Room W374, MS07, Indianapolis, IN 46207-7083. Correspondence should be identified in the following manner: COMMENT RE: NOTICE REGARDING CHANGES TO REIMBURSEMENT METHODOLOGY FOR HOME HEALTH AGENCIES. Written comments will be made available for public inspection at the address herein of the FSSA-OMPP.

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